



ST. PIUS V
CATHOLIC CHURCH
~RENEW ALL THINGS IN CHRIST~
1921 - Celebrating 100 Years - 2021

St. Pius V Catholic Church

"Mother Church of African American Catholics in Jacksonville, Florida"

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Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 29, 2024



*"Anyone who is
not against us
is for us."*

—
Mark 9:38-43, 47-48

Mission Statement

Our Mission of St. Pius V Church family is to know, love and serve God and to share and build upon our rich Catholic African American legacy and culture. We proclaim Jesus as Lord through worship and service, education and social ministries.

Please remember St. Pius V Catholic Church in your will and final estate.

Welcome to St. Pius V Catholic Church!

The Mother Church of African American Catholics in Jacksonville, Florida. Founded in 1921, our parish continues to proclaim the word of Jesus Christ for which it was founded in the spirit of love and in the spirit of giving. We are proud of our heritage!

ST. PIUS V CATHOLIC CHURCH

Rev. Dilip Pally
Administrator

Rev. Cristian Cardenas
In Residence Priest

TODAY'S READINGS

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Nm 11:25-29; Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45,47-48

CHURCH OFFICE

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Appointment with the Priest:

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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Mass

10:30 AM

Saturday Vigil Mass

5:00 PM

Adoration & Benediction

First Fridays 6:00 PM

CONFESSION

Saturdays

4:30 PM or by appointment

MASS ATTENDANCE

Sunday, September 22, 2024: 108

Saturday, September 21, 2024: 9



Bring the whole tithes into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it.

~ Malachi 3:10

ParishSoft online giving is a convenient giving option available on our church website at <http://stpiusjax.org/>. Just click on the Give Online link. You can also give by texting "Donate" to 904-593-3354. Thanks for giving!

Eliminating Occasions of Sin

"If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter into life maimed than with two hands to go into Gehenna, into the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter into life crippled than with two feet to be thrown into Gehenna. And if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out..." ~ Mark 9:43-47



Sometimes we need to wake up to the horror of sin. Sin and sin alone is capable of sending you to hell. Hell is real, and going there for eternity is a real possibility. Therefore, we must do whatever it takes to avoid that frightful possibility. This teaching from Jesus might not, at first, be thought of as one of His most inspiring teachings, but it should be. It's not inspiring in the sense that it is quite graphic. But it is very inspiring in the sense that it has the potential to motivate us to action.

Are you motivated to do all that you can to avoid sin? Would you even go so far as to cut off your hand or foot, and to pluck out your eye so as to avoid sin? First of all, this should not be seen as a literal command in which Jesus is telling us to mutilate ourselves. But He is the one Who chose such graphic language. Therefore, we should not shy away from pondering these images in a prayerful way so as to more clearly see those things that lead us into sin. When we see them, we must take the radical step of completely eliminating them from our lives.

Many of the Church Fathers say that the hand, foot and eye in this teaching refer to our friends. Just as a hand, foot and eye are good in and of themselves, so also are friends. We are made for friendship with God and with others. However, not every friendship helps us grow closer to God. Therefore, when an earthly friend becomes a source of sin, we must eliminate that friendship.

Friendship is different from charity. We owe charity to all people, even those who are the most sinful. But acting with charity toward others is different from being friends with them. To be a friend implies mutual giving and receiving. And though we must always give of ourselves to others, we ought not always receive from them when what they have to offer is an invitation to sin. This is how we "cut it off" and "pluck it out." When another person tries to relate to us in such a way that they lead us into sin, we must take that temptation very seriously and reject it with much vigor.

The hand, foot and eye in this teaching also represent every situation in life that tempts us to sin. For example, consider material possessions. If buying a very expensive car, house, or electronic gadget tempts you to become more materialistic, then you must avoid buying it. People are drawn to nice things. But does possessing nice things help your soul to become holy? One could argue that they can have nice things, while at the same time remain spiritually detached from them. But this is difficult to live. The more luxurious our material possessions, the more tempted we will be to rely upon them for our happiness. Therefore, choosing to live simply is almost always better for your soul than choosing to live in luxury. This teaching also applies to anything else that could become a source of temptation.

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Baptism: Parents who have registered for three months or more are required to attend Baptism preparation classes. All documentation must be received days prior to baptism. Please contact the Rectory office to schedule your class.

Bulletin Announcements: All items for the Church Bulletin are due to the Rectory Office by 10 AM, on Tuesday. Bulletin announcements must be brief and written by the submitting ministry or entity. Please email announcements to: spvsecretary1@outlook.com or drop them off at the Rectory Office Monday-Friday 10 AM - 3 PM.

New Parishioners: St. Pius V Catholic Church wishes you a warm welcome to our parish. If you are interested in becoming a new parishioner of the church or are transferring from another parish, please fill out a registration form located on the religious articles display counter.

Are you interested in the Catholic Faith? Do you want to learn more about our church teachings? Please contact the rectory office at (904) 354-1501.



September 28th 5:00 PM

Parishioners of St. Pius V,
Crucifixion and Holy Rosary
Parishes

September 29th 10:30 AM

+ Charles Combs Sr.
(Selena Mendez)

If you are interested in having someone remembered in a mass intention, please contact the rectory office at (904) 354-1501. The suggested mass stipend is \$10 or more.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK OR HOMEBOUND



Earlene Burroughs, Deborah Furlough, Leonard Goggins, Yvonne Highsmith, Maudella Hymes, Barbara Jackson, Glen Mills, Casslena Mobley, Charles Parson, Eileen Scott, James Shelton, and Thelma Walker.

Please contact Fr. Dilip at 354-1501 if a loved one is in a hospital or nursing home. **Medical Emergency Only** call (904) 994-8463.

STEWARDSHIP AWARENESS SUNDAY

"Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward."
MARK 9:41

We are made in God's image and likeness. We tend to forget this. When you look at others, do you see the face of Jesus in them? When others look at you, do they see the face of Jesus in you? When we realize that all lives matter to God, then gratitude and generously become easier. Why? Because that's the way we are made! We are one Body of Christ; when one of us is hurting, all of us feel the pain.

DID YOU KNOW?

Even though the Church reserves reception of the Eucharist only for Catholics, it is important to recall that there are also certain circumstances under which that reservation may be forgone. In particular, "When, in the Ordinary's judgment, a grave necessity arises, Catholic ministers may give the sacraments of Eucharist, Penance, and Anointing of the Sick to other Christians not in full communion with the Catholic Church, who ask for them of their own will, provided they give evidence of holding the Catholic faith regarding these sacraments and possess the required dispositions" (# 1401).



STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

In today's second reading, St. James warns that those who hoard wealth and live only for themselves will be condemned. But in the Gospel, Jesus assures us that all who give of themselves for his sake will be rewarded.

PRAY THE ROSARY

Please join the Adult Sunday School Class every Thursday, at 7:00 PM to pray the rosary via Zoom.

Zoom Meeting ID: 890 1958 1742 and Passcode: 179658

ATTENTION

The Diocese of St. Augustine treats all allegations of sexual misconduct seriously and deals with all allegations in a prompt, confidential, and thorough manner.

To Report Abuse, Call:

The police or the Department of Children and Families at (800)962-2873. Or call the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at (904) 208-6979 or email inquiries@dosaf1.com.

To report abuse by a bishop, call:
(800) 276-1562 or visit www.reportbishopabuse.org.

Announcements

SEASON OF CREATION 2024



Next Sunday, October 6th, please join the St. Pius V Lawn & Landscaping Ministry for their annual celebration, the observance of the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of ecology.

There will be special treats and take-a-ways. The theme for this year's Season of Creation is "To hope and act with Creation", and the symbol is "The firstfruits of hope", inspired by Romans 8:19-25. The biblical image pictures the Earth as a Mother, groaning as in childbirth (Rom 8:22). You are invited to wear different shades of green.

Please join the global Christian family online Prayer Service for the Feast of St. Francis on Friday, October 4th, at 9:00 AM New York time. **Prayer Service for the Feast of St. Francis (youtube.com)**

DECOLORES!

We want the Cursillo Movement to become active here at St. Pius. If you are a Cursillista, please provide your name and telephone number on the Sign-Up Sheet located on the Religious Articles Display Counter. You will be contacted to discuss what and how the Cursillo Movement can become active in our parish and if you want to participate. Remember, we bloom where we are planted.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & BENEDICTION

Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction will be held on first Friday, October 4th, at 6:00 PM, here in the church, followed by Mass. Confession will also be available from 6:00 - 6:30 PM.

2024 ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Couples celebrating their 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th or 50th (or more) wedding anniversary in 2024, are invited to join Bishop Erik Pohlmeier for the 2024 Anniversary Celebration on Saturday, Nov. 2, at noon. The event will take place at St. Anastasia Catholic Church in St. Augustine and will also be livestreamed for virtual participation. Bishop Pohlmeier will lead a renewal of wedding vows and provide a special blessing. Couples will receive a certificate, be honored in a digital slideshow and enjoy a light reception following the Mass. To register, visit family.dosaf1.com or call (904) 208-6963 by the Oct. 25 deadline.

MULTI-CULTURAL YOUTH CONFERENCE

The Multi-Cultural Youth Conference (MYC) Youth Gathering will take place on Oct. 19 at Christ the King Parish from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The event is open to youth aged 12-17 and will feature speakers, cultural performances, and more, closing with Mass.

Registration fee is \$10. Register at <https://dosaf1.wufoo.com/forms/myc-youth-gathering/>.

2024 FR. CHESTER P. SMITH

National Black Catholic Men's Conference

The Fr. Chester P. Smith National Black Catholic Men's Conference will be held in Baltimore Maryland on Thursday, October 10th through Sunday, October 13th. Conference attendees will be able to partake in workshops, health fair, praise and worship sessions, as well as fellowship with other Black Catholic Men of Faith.

Register at www.bowmanfrancis.org.

Registration cost: Adults \$175.00, Youth (age 10-17) \$100.00.

BASA SUMMARY REPORT UPDATE

Below is the update for the parish on the 2022 Bishop's Annual Stewardship Appeal, captured through September 22, 2024.



2023 Goal: 52 Donors
Current Donors: 46
Percent of Family Participation: 35.94%
Amount Pledged: \$11,644.00
Amount Paid: \$8,509.00
Balance Due: \$3,135.00



**TO HOPE AND ACT
WITH CREATION**
SEASON OF CREATION 2024

The firstfruits of hope
(Rom 8:19-25)

Mass Schedule/Events

Sunday service streaming live on Facebook

Monday, September 30th

Tuesday, October 1st
8:00 AM Mass at Crucifixion

Wednesday, October 2nd
8:00 AM Mass at Crucifixion
5:30 PM Prayer Group, Church

Thursday, October 3rd
8:00 AM Mass at Crucifixion

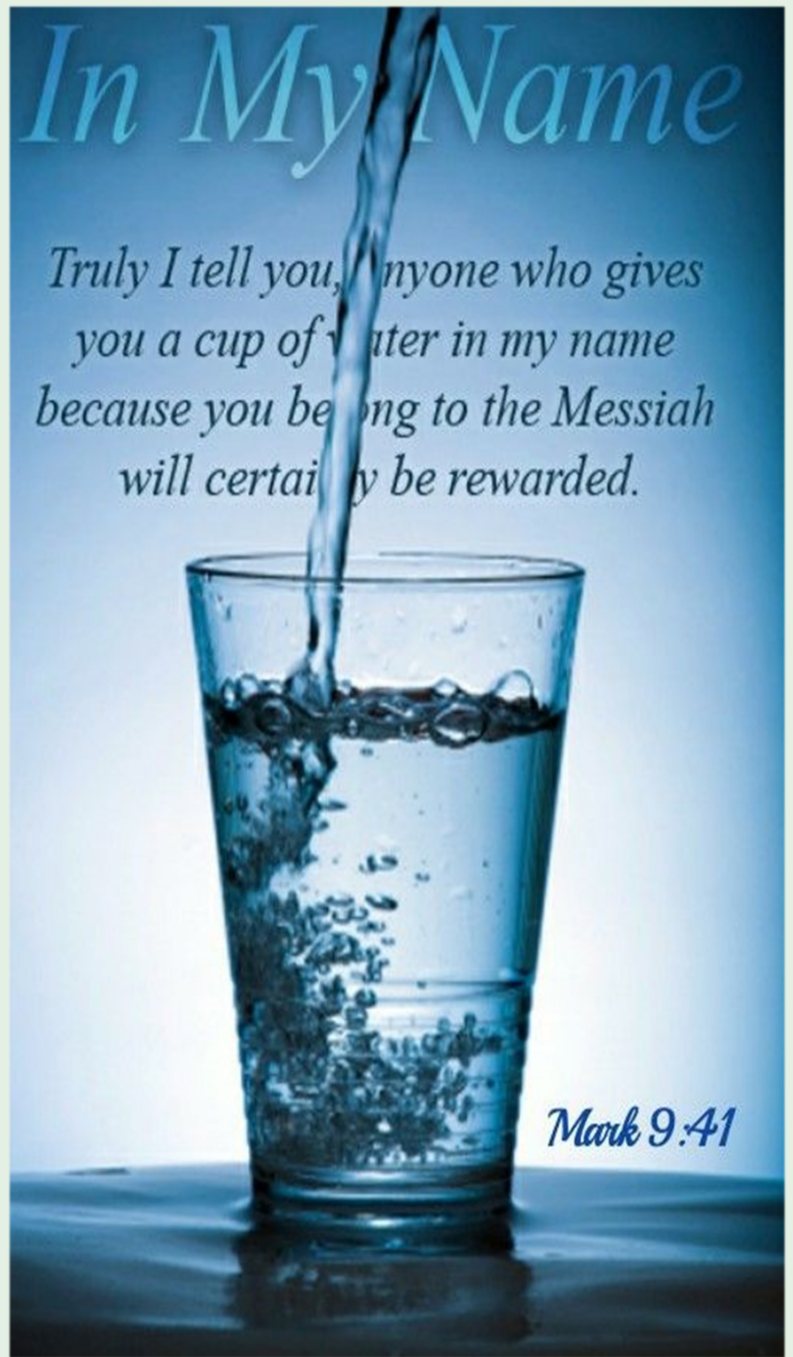
Friday, October 4th
6:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction, Church

Saturday, October 5th
8:00 AM Lawn & Landscaping Churchyard Cleanup
4:30 PM Confession, Church
5:00 PM Vigil Mass, Church

Sunday, October 6th
9:00 AM CCD/Sunday School, Conference Center
10:00 AM Rosary, Church
10:30 AM Mass, Church
11:45 AM Season of Creation Celebration **wear green**

Parish Ministries/Organizations

Administrator/Religious Ed.	Regina Taylor-Murphy	629-1664
Adult/Family Ministry	Endya Freeman	463-2392
Altar Rosary Council	Angela Myers	358-1866
Altar Servers	Leah Mills	713-1968
Annulment Companion	Sr. Elise Kennedy	509-7493
Bereavement Committee	Anethette Durham	751-6397
Building Maintenance	Nezzar Battle	235-9313
Choir - 5:00 PM Adult	Paul Witkowski	504-9952
Choir	Que-Thanh Le	703-300-2493
Counters	Deirdre Clayton	463-6994
Extra-Ordinary Ministers	Brenda Battle	765-9738
Finance Council	Dr. Mark Dawkins	557-4937
Jr. Dgtrs. of Peter Claver	Loretta Breaker	764-9180
Jr. Knights of Peter Claver	James Breaker	764-9180
Knights of Columbus	Alexander Hice	751-0956
Knights of Peter Claver	Amadeus Amador	206-683-5075
KPC Ladies Auxiliary	Janice Hice	751-0956
Lectors/Commentators	Dr. Tameiko Allen Grant	233-1455
Lawn/Landscaping	Selena Mendez	450-2899
Parish Nursing	Tinye Dawkins	764-2248
	Ta'Kiesha Franklin	541-0263
Pastoral Council	Joanne Thayer	765-3768
Prayer Group	Shirley Mills	768-9155
RCIA	Vacant	
Respect Life	Gloria Mendez	707-9203
Social Media Committee	Regina Taylor Murphy	629-1664
	Endya Freeman	463-2392
	Dr. Tameiko Allen Grant	233-1455
	Jalen Chance	888-4077
Sound System Engineer	Roy Wilson	382-5183
St. Bernadette Council	Mitzi Ellis	230-2058
Stewardship Committee	Mitzi Ellis	230-2058
Ushers - Adult	Patricia Wilson	930-8386
Ushers - Junior	Lisa Axelson	945-8881
Welcome and Outreach	Patricia Sampson	614-6271
Webmaster	Padrica Mendez	676-0843
Youth/Young Adult Ministry	Kimberly Small	993-7240
	LaTonya Edwards	504-460-3017



Ministry Schedule: October 5th & October 6th		
Mass	5:00 PM	10:00 AM
Altar Servers	Emily Massengale-Morton	Malaya Mills Angela Freeman Jameson Grant
Lectors	Tameiko Allen-Grant	Janet Conner Yvette Stallings
Commentator	Tameiko Allen-Grant	Rick Stallings
Extra-Ordinary	Sister Elise Sister Rea	Lucille Trotter James Breaker Loretta Breaker
Ushers		Jhova Aybar Carlos Breaker
Counters		Endya Freeman Julie White